

CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

January 10, 2013

Mr. William E. Ellenback
(Address withheld)
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Re: EB-FIELDNER-12-00005881
Amateur Radio License W4BVH
Warning Notice

Dear Mr. Ellenback:

The trustee of N4LDH has requested repeatedly that you refrain from use of his repeater. These verbal requests were followed up by a written notification advising you that you were no longer welcome on the 147.120 repeater. You, however, refused to sign for the registered letter. The verbal and written requests were issued as a result of your failure to follow operational rules set forth by the licensee/control operators of the repeater system for their users.

The Commission requires that repeaters be under the supervision of a control operator and not only expects, but requires, that such control operators be responsible for the proper operation of the repeater system. Control operators may take whatever steps they deem appropriate to ensure compliance with the repeater rules, including limiting the repeater use to certain users, converting the repeater to a closed repeater or taking it off the air entirely.

Please be advised that the Commission expects you to abide by the request of the control operator that you stay off of the 147.120 repeater – and any other similar requests to cease operations on any other repeaters by any other repeater licensees, control operators or trustees. Use of this repeater again after receipt of this letter could subject you to severe penalties, including license revocation, monetary forfeiture (fine)¹ or a

¹ Fines normally range from \$7,500 to \$10,000.

modification proceeding to restrict the frequencies upon which you may operate.

Sincerely,

Laura L. Smith, Esq.
Special Counsel
Enforcement Bureau

Cc: Tampa Field Office
South Central Regional Director